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TITLE:              BUFFER DEVICE FOR A WELDING WIRE AND WELDING UNIT

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

**MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**

Commissioner of Patents  
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Dear Commissioner:

In response to the Office Action dated November 26, 2008,  
please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this  
paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of  
claims which begins on page 5 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 11 of this paper  
and include one (1) attached replacement sheet of drawings.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 12 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including the replacement sheet of drawings is  
attached following page 20 of this paper.